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REMARKS

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1. At 1 p.m. on 17 August 1953, a column of 12 prime movers towing 100-mm AT guns, and 16 trucks passed through Gotha, coming from the direction of Ohrdruf and proceeding toward Erfurt. At noon on 19 August, a shipment of 32 trucks, 12 x 76-mm field guns and 4 AT guns passed through Gotha, coming from the direction of Ohrdruf and proceeding toward Erfurt.
2. At about 5 a.m. on 24 August, a shipment of 6 x 122-mm field howitzers and 50 trucks passed through Weimar, coming from the direction of Erfurt and proceeding toward Leipzig. At about 3:30 p.m. on 26 August 50 trucks, carrying billeting and signal equipment; and 400 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets were entrained in Weimar and left toward Leipzig. The unit had come from Nohra.¹
3. On 26 August, 10 boxcars, occupied by troops; and 50 flatcars carrying trucks and equipment were seen in Halle, en route toward Cottbus.
4. On 14 August, 3 about 80-mm AA guns, 3 x 25-mm AA guns, 6 trucks and an undetermined number of troops were entrained at the Dessau railroad station. An undetermined number of troops bivouacked in about 100 tents in the Haideburger Forest since about mid-August.²
5. On 22 August, a train carrying 35 trucks, 1 sedan and 4 field kitchens; and including 6 boxcars occupied by about 150 troops was seen en route between Jueterbog and Seddin. On 22 August, 28 trucks, 1 ambulance, 2 field kitchens, 6 x 76-mm AA guns, 1 sedan and 8 boxcarloads of troops were entrained in Jueterbog-Altes Lager.³
6. At about 2 p.m. on 26 August, a train carrying 39 trucks, and loaded with billeting equipment, 8 field kitchens and 4 amphibious vehicles, and including 12 boxcars was seen in Forst Zinna.⁴

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7. On 26 August, 120 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets; [redacted] and 1 field kitchen were entrained in Trebbin and left toward Jüterbog. The unit had come from Camp Glau.

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8. At about 5:45 a.m. on 19 August, a column of 1 jeep, 10 trucks, towing 85-mm AA guns and each occupied by 6 to 8 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport or artillery insignia, was seen on Königsbruecker Strasse, coming from the direction of Dresden and proceeding toward Königsbrueck. [redacted]

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9. On 27 August, two shipments of trucks, buses, troops and uniformed women were entrained in Luebben [redacted]

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3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] eight trains were dispatched in Jüterbog on 22 August, [redacted]

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4. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] shipment [redacted] was entrained at the Forst Zinna railroad station and [redacted] at the Trebbin railroad station on 26 August. Both trains were bound for Angermünde. Elements of the 130th Gds Sig Regt (US) carried in Camp Glau left the installation. [redacted]

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5. [redacted] Comment. On 17 and 18 August, two AAA shipments of the First Gds Recz Army returned to Dresden-Klotzsche from the Wustrow firing range. [redacted] The day after their return, these elements presumably went to the Königsbrueck troop training grounds by road.

6. [redacted]

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